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THAT GELS IN VIVO* (As Amended)

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Washington, D.C. 20231

**REQUEST FOR FILING A
DIVISIONAL APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b)**

Sir:

This is a request for the filing a divisional Application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b), of pending prior application Serial No. 08/056,140, filed April 30, 1993, by Keith T. Paige, Linda G. Cima, Charles A. Vacanti and Anthony Atala, for "*TISSUE FORMATION BY INJECTING A CELL-POLYMERIC SOLUTION THAT GELS IN VIVO*" (As Amended).

I hereby verify that the attached papers are a true copy of what is shown in my records to be the above-identified prior application, including the declaration as originally filed and the subsequently filed executed Declaration. The application includes 1 page of Abstract, 17 pages of Specification, 3 pages of claims, an unexecuted Declaration for Patent Application, and the subsequently executed Declaration for Patent Application.

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Also enclosed are copies of an Assignment to Children's Medical Center Corporation from Keith T. Paige, Joseph P. Vacanti, recorded at reel 6626, frame 0675, on July 6, 1993; an Assignment to Children's Medical Center Corporation from Anthony Atala and Charles A. Vacanti, recorded at reel 6909, frame 0292, on March 21, 1994; and an Assignment to Massachusetts Institute of Technology from Linda G. Cima, recorded at reel 6909, frame 0296, on March 21, 1994. A copy of the Consent to Correct Named Inventors and Certificates under 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b) from Massachusetts Institute of Technology and Children's Medical Center Corporation; and return postcard are also enclosed.

The inventorship for the claims in the divisional application is the same as in the prior application.

The attorney of record in the prior application is Patrea L. Pabst, Registration No. 31,284, and the Power of Attorney appears in the original papers in the prior application.

A check in the amount of \$ 790.00 is enclosed to cover the filing fee for the divisional application. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 01-2507. A duplicate copy of this Request is enclosed.

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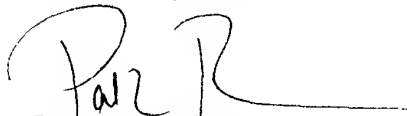
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This application is being filed on January 20, 1998, by mailing the application to Box Patent Application, Commissioner for Patents and Trademarks, Washington, D.C. 20231 via the United States Postal Service "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" Service under 37 C.F.R. § 1.10. The Express Mail Label No. EM 181 247 764 US appears in the heading of this paper, which is attached to the application, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.10(b).

I hereby declare further that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

Respectfully submitted,



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CERTIFICATE OF MAILING UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.10

I hereby certify that this REQUEST FOR FILING A DIVISIONAL APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b) and any documents referred to as attached therein are being deposited with the United States Postal Service on this date, January 20, 1998, in an envelope as "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service under 37 C.F.R § 1.10, Mailing Label Number EM 181 247 764 US addressed to Box Patent Application, Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks, Washington, D.C. 20231.

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